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BOY CHARGED WITH FATHER'S DEATH.
Study from life by Artist Michaelson of the BOSTON AMERICAN of Lynn lad now facing trial accused of killing his father.



ODESSA CHIEF IS SLAIN

Two Detectives Also Killed
in Russian City by Terrorist Bomb.

ODESSA, May 20.—The superintendent of police of Odessa and the two chief detectives of this city were killed and seven other persons were seriously injured by the explosion of an infernal machine in the Central Police Bureau to-day. The structure was wrecked.

PARIS, May 20.—Through the confusion today of Ivan Petrov, a Russian, some of the details were brought to light of another terrorist plot against the Russian authorities. Petrov was taken to a hospital on Friday with his hands terribly lacerated. He declined to tell how he was injured and the police found much mystery in the case.

Today Petrov admitted that he is a terrorist and said he had been hurt by the premature explosion of a bomb he was making in the kitchen of a cafe, a man named Simpson, in the Rue Jura. Petrov admitted the existence of a plot, but he was not divulged who were the intended victims. Simpson has disappeared, but two other Russians, named Schmitt and Schmitt, who were found in Petrov's room, were arrested as accomplices.

PLANS NATIONAL HEALTH BUREAU
PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 20.—Congressman A. J. Harfield announced yesterday that his plans are well under way for the establishment of a national health bureau, under federal control, as a central agency for the collection and dissemination of health data, and the present status of the country.

U. S. to Haul Standard Octopus Into Court
ATTACK OIL TRUST

Unlawful Discriminations Alleged
by Commissioner in Report to Roosevelt.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—The records of Standard Oil Company's operations in the United States, as made up by the Commissioner of Corporations, Herbert Knox Smith, indicate that the petroleum octopus will be haled into court as the first defendant under the new railroad rate law.

The disclosures of abuse which the Standard has either evaded or openly violated the law, and prevented competition, will also furnish the basis for a contest in the next Congress which, it is believed, will result in additional legislation of such character as to throw the Standard's system of pipe lines open to general use by the independent companies.

Lines Closed To Rivals.
The investigation conducted by the Bureau of Corporations shows that the discrimination obtained from railroads, great as they have been, are of secondary importance in the refusal of the Standard to operate its pipe line system as an extension of independent interests and the law as it is believed that considerable portion of his business has been derived from the Standard's alleged violations of the Hepburn act, in this connection it is considered rather significant that the Commissioner of Cor-

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Former Fights Trust.
One such case was in Cincinnati, where Senator Foraker was one of the chief champions of these private interests which he declared would be ruined by the legislation aimed primarily at the oil trust.

The records in the pipe line investigation have been turned over to the Department of Justice, and only a portion of the Standard Oil Company has been kept under cover, and will not be made public until provisions shall have been brought in the courts. The government expects to prove conclusively that in many instances the Standard's trunk lines have refused to take traffic with the interstate Commerce Commission, and in consequence of this refusal to accept shipments of oil from independent producers, except under most in-possible conditions.

Benaprite Investigating.
The Department of Justice, it is said, probably will initiate proceedings in the near few days. Attorney General Bosque has been exceedingly busy the past two weeks, going away next week, and it is believed that considerable portion of his business has been derived from the Standard's alleged violations of the Hepburn act, in this connection it is considered rather significant that the Commissioner of Cor-

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To Grip Competition.
In concluding his report the Commissioner of Corporations shows throughout the past thirty-five years a substantial monopolization of the petroleum industry of the country, a deliberate destruction of competition, and a consequent control of that industry by a few large men, who have pocket enormous profits therefrom.

SCORE INJURED IN TROLLEY COLLISION
AKRON, O., May 20.—In a trolley collision on the Akron & Bedford division of the Southern Ohio Traction Company, some miles south of Akron, early today, twenty persons were injured, three of whom were seriously hurt.

Blames Railroads for Aiding in Securing of Pipe Line Monopoly.
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DRAW JURY TO TRY MEIKLE

Panel That Will Decide Lynn Boy's Fate Nearly Chosen at Noon—One Talesman Declares Emphatically Against Capital Punishment.

Record time was made to-day in the selection of jurors to decide the fate of Edgar Weston Meikle, the fifteen-year-old Lynn schoolboy, who is charged with the murder of his father, Charles Meikle, at their home on November 6, 1905.

Within the first hour after the opening of court five men had taken their places in the box. This number had been secured out of thirty-four talesmen examined. An unusual number of the men who were questioned as to their fitness to sit on the case declared that they were opposed to the death penalty. Of the thirty-four men called, eight put themselves upon record as unalterably against capital punishment.

AGAINST DEATH PENALTY.
Three more men were added to the jury in the next fifteen minutes, and a little later there were ten in the jury box. The feeling against the death penalty in any case was emphasized when I. Irving Edgerly of Swampscott was questioned. He made this declaration:

"I should not care whether a man were proven guilty or not, I would not be in favor of the death penalty."

During the examination of the talesmen the boy prisoner stood in the iron cage. Sometimes he rested his hands on the railing. He did not appear to be frightened. He manifested a keen interest in what was going on and apparently understood the proceedings.

Of his counsel, James and Richard Shaw, the latter sat beside the cage and consulted the boy about the acceptance of jurors. When they agreed to reject a man Edger in a firm voice declared:

HAD FORMED AN OPINION.
Nathan Don, a farmer of Topsheld, gave an original reason for Judge Stevens for not serving on the jury.

"My mother-in-law is sick," he said. "Will the master with her?" asked the judge.

"She has heart disease," he said. The judge said that would not be a legal excuse, and then he declared that he was allowed to go back to his home when court opened. There were a large number of the boy's friends in the courtroom.

JURORS ACCEPTED:

- No. 1—ARTHUR KNIGHT, motorman, West Newbury.
- No. 2—TRACY GETCHELL, farmer, Salisbury.
- No. 3—EDWARD C. JUHE, painter, Lawrence.
- No. 4—CHARLES M. HOYT, manufacturer, Haverhill.
- No. 5—EVERETT A. SMITH, farmer, Hamilton.
- No. 6—JOHN NICE, forist, Andover.
- No. 7—FRANK W. FOSS, laborer, Saugus.
- No. 8—GEORGE B. PARKHURST, carpenter, Boxford.
- No. 9—JOHN C. GILMARTIN, farmer, Haverhill.
- No. 10—WILLIAM F. IRELAND, farmer, Gloucester.

BURIED, MANY HURT; FIRE AND EXPLOSION

At least one person is known to be killed in the ruins, and seven or eight were injured by the explosion of a gas pipe and most dangerous charge that the Martin & Wells fireworks firm at 13-25 S. st., to-day at New York City.

The debris immediately took the form of a mountain of burning wreckage, and many victims may be buried in the ruins.

ABE HUMMEL GOES TO JAIL

NEW YORK, May 20.—Hummel, already been found for Hummel at Black much care and sending a telegram to his wife, is said, in looking back during the fire in some great criminal trial, the part of his town and later will be assigned to his luxurious home to be to the criminal work.

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Philadelphia	53	11	.828
St. Louis	50	14	.781

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GAMES SCHEDULED TO-DAY

Chicago at Boston
 Cincinnati at Philadelphia
 St. Louis at New York
 Pittsburg at Brooklyn

opportunity to show his hand. "I don't show any of my best-time form," he said. "I'm a little out of shape and it is about time that we get the rubber and did some of the pitching." He looked like him a big fan of the baseball world.

Overall, the sensational pitcher, Calenzano, was his own last first. He will probably be on the rubber for visitors, and he should make the

GROUT CARS WILL RACE AT DEARVILLE MAY 20

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Harness Horses

It is reported that Peter Dwyer, intends to go to Germany, as he has commissioned a German doctor to prepare a special formula to attack a few days in that country.

"Smiling Bob" Weaver has entirely recovered from an attack of rheumatism that laid him up in late fall and Winter, and will be out racing with his horses when the time comes.

James Hanley of Providence has shipped a yearling Tyer, at Readville, a two-year-old, by B. 2:05 1/2, out of Kleata, 2:08 1/2.

Wm. Reardon of Manchester has sold to a New York the chestnut gelding, Frank L., and he is now in the hands of the mailers.

Trainer Brennan has Lake Queen, 2:05 1/2, a light stable, and has taken her to the Pomona, N. Y., track to get ready for Grand

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and Poisoning	Stricture and Obstruction
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REAL ESTATE

What Are the Ten Best Things to Eat?

There are Really THOUSANDS "Best" Things

Let us, for a change, talk about eating. Not all of us live to eat, but all are interested in eating. And the questions involved in our appetites and inclinations are more important than many of us know.

The Landmark, published in Norfolk, Virginia, reports a discussion on the question, "What Are the Ten Best Things to Eat?" Various lists have been suggested, all of them calculated to give an appetite to a dyspeptic.

Favorites in the South appear to be ham, roast corn, quail, young chicken, oysters, trout, sausage, buckwheat cakes. Each part of the country would have its own opinion and its own list. Baltimore would head the list with terrapin; New York City with lobster, presumably; New England with pie or beans.

Our readers can amuse themselves, if they choose, trying to make up a list of the ten best things. We shall not prepare any list, but talk about eating generally.

Did it ever occur to you that the palate of a man, his liking for various kinds of things to eat, ACTUALLY CONTROLS VEGETATION AND ANIMAL LIFE ON THIS EARTH? If we have millions upon millions of the earth's acres covered with wheat, it is because the appetite of man calls for so much bread. The vast flocks of sheep and herds of cattle represent man's fondness for mutton and beef. We protect fish from certain kinds of nets, we protect game in the breeding season. TO PLEASE OUR APPETITE.

The appetite of man has taught him to take the primitive weeds and develop them into our modern grains. The same appetite has caused the development of all the fruits, spices, and all the other vegetable products that we eat, from wild vegetable ancestors.

The appetite of man proves that he was made to rule the world, to rule all of its living creatures and to cultivate it and them.

A simple animal has simple appetites. The horse can get along with oats and hay forever, the cow with grass and bran, the cat with mice. The devil fish is content to live on lobsters, and does live on them. The roaring lion demands raw meat and nothing else.

But man is NOT HAPPY UNLESS HE CAN EAT, ONE AFTER ANOTHER, AN ENDLESS COLLECTION OF THE PLANTS AND ANIMALS THAT THE EARTH PRODUCES.

Did you ever ask yourself why it is that men's wants are so complicated; why it is that preachers of the simple life and a simple diet are simply preaching a doctrine that will never be realized?

Is not the fact this?

Man was put here not merely to gratify his own appetites or tastes, BUT TO CULTIVATE THE EARTH AND ALL OF ITS POSSIBILITIES FULLY. Back of us there is a wisdom inconceivable, using us for its own purposes. We don't crave the fruits, grains and all the other products merely that we may enjoy ourselves, BUT IN ORDER THAT WE MAY BE DRIVEN BY OUR APPETITES TO CULTIVATE THE EARTH AS IT SHOULD BE CULTIVATED.

Wise Nature gives to each animal from man down various attractions or appetites. And all of these are so arranged as to make that particular animal USEFUL. The cat is made so that she wants to eat mice—that is lucky for us.

The lady-bug that lives in California is arranged in such a way that she craves the life and nourishment of the San Jose scale, which destroys fruit trees—and that is very lucky for farmers.

Our Agricultural Department has discovered a little black fly, and that fly thinks the finest thing on earth to eat is the green bug that destroys our wheat fields. If the Agricultural Department can supply enough of these flies and breed them successfully, the appetite of that little creature will be worth thousands of millions of dollars to the farmers and the business of this country.

There are many things in the world that we cannot understand—our minds are just beginning to open. But wherever we do understand clearly we find that all living creatures are provided with appetites that in some way or other make them useful. Exceptions, of course, would be the harmful microbes, the harmful pests of one kind or another. But when we understand them better, we may know that they have a useful purpose, IF ONLY TO DEVELOP OUR OWN FEEBLE HUMAN INTELLECT.

It is hard to understand the taste of an earthworm, which goes head first through the earth, grinding up the soil and eating it. But if there had been no earthworms THERE WOULD BE NO SOIL FIT FOR VEGETATION AND NO ANIMAL LIFE POSSIBLE ON THE EARTH.

The buzzards, hyenas and many other dreadful animals delight to devour flesh that is dead and decayed. We despise their taste, but we realize that they have saved the earth from pestilences that would have wiped out the human race long ago.

The stupid religion of India would have poisoned humanity irretrievably but for willing crocodiles eating the exposed dead bodies and preventing the greater part of the harm.

So much for the theory that our appetites are simply Nature's wise plan for making us cultivate or kill along lines of usefulness mapped out by the Supreme Wisdom.

Generally speaking, from the point of view of your health, you may be sure of this: The best things to eat ARE THOSE THAT TASTE BEST TO YOU, PROVIDED YOU CHEW THEM SLOWLY AND EAT LITTLE, and are in normal health. An abnormal condition which causes a craving for alcohol or drugs in men, for slate pencils or chalk in nervous young girls, is, of course, not natural and not to be encouraged.

It is a fact, however—and it has been proved scientifically—that what TASTES good digests EASILY and agrees with us. Better cooking means better health, less drink. The main thing is to eat in moderation, cook thoroughly and chew slowly.

These three things, and a fourth, would end dyspepsia. The fourth is this: YOU MUST NOT EAT WHEN YOU ARE WORRIED OR EXHAUSTED PHYSICALLY. WHEN YOU ARE TIRED OUT YOU NEED REST AND NOT FOOD. WHEN YOU ARE WORRIED AND YOUR BRAIN IS WORKING THE STOMACH CARET DO ITS WORK, AND IT IS NOT FIT TO TAKE FOOD. Under such conditions eat little.

Pick out the ten things that you like and eat them. Change the ten things as often as possible, for variety of diet is in itself a source of health. Do no violent mental or physical work just after eating. Eat slowly and you will do well, whatever the ten things may be on your list. Don't forget to give your children a reasonable amount of pure, simple candy once a day, AFTER THE NOON MEAL, if they crave it. Their system requires the carbon.

Little Editorials from the People

WANTS A FOOT BATH FROM OCEAN TO OCEAN
EDITOR BOSTON AMERICAN:
I want to ask you if a trans-continental relay race has ever been talked about. I think it would be good, smart, so have such
Worcester, Mass.

MONOPOLY LODGE OFF FOR EUROPE!

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Trunky Bolivar and bride among those sailing! Former wife makes roar on pier! Is moved by police!

Sammy

By William F. Kirk

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WO years old and going on three, Square and chubby and bold "was he." "Don't bother me, child, get out and play!" For out on the street were other tots. Vaguely forming their baby phins. And babies are better chums, God knows. Then a snubbing woman who sneezes and sneezes.
OUT on the street, where traffic swirled, Sammy dreamed of a strange, new world. For the street joined a hilltop far A hill that he meant to climb some day. But the street car man was large and stout. And the tramster man had troubles enough. So they held on hard to Sammy's shirt. "Please, Mister, take me up the hill!" He asked a man in a touring car. But the man was busy, as tourists are.
He asked a coachman in River train. But the coachman was glad at him; He asked a mounted policeman, too. With shiny buttons and coat of blue. The mounted policeman shook his head. But Sammy was brave and plucked. "Please, Mister, take me up the hill!" ONE fine morning—the air was clear— Sammy thought that the hill seemed near. And while he was hailing a truckman train. His baby feet proved false to him. And the people knew, as the car around Sammy had climbed the hill at last.

Dictionary of Misinformation

By Wex Jones

UATRAIN—This is a form of verse much admired by magazine editors who want to fill out a page.
NIGHT
A slowly setting sun. Stars come down—then Sep! Stars come down—then Sep! And the Chinaman hits the top.
VASTNESS
A shadowy immensity. Immense profundity. A nebulous interest. And fabulous rotundity.
A GIRL
A jolly little foot. A jolly little mug. A jolly little nose. A jolly little bag. A jolly little ring. A jolly little hand. A jolly little head. A jolly little tail!
WHISKEY
See the serpent in the glass. But the serpent is the head. And the serpent is the head. And the serpent is the head.

THE GENTLE SEX

BY T. E. POWERS

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THE MORAL IS: YOU NEVER CAN TELL

Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Long-Distance Swimming and Glacier Climbing Should Be Prohibited By All Civilized Nations

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

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EXCEPT that the earth would be overrun with human beings if all of us were to live in our methods of life, it would seem that each civilized nation should pass a law to prohibit two popular sports, namely, glacier climbing and long-distance swimming.

Last year I read of the death of a beautiful girl of less than twenty, who had distinguished herself by many remarkable aquatic feats. She had won several medals, each by remaining in the water several hours. She died of heart failure.

No comment was publicly uttered at the time of her death, by press or physician, on the cause which induced her malady. Yet every physician must know how depleting over-long baths are to human beings.

A little girl of twelve made remarkable records as a swimmer a few seasons ago at the resort where my Summers are passed. She oftentimes passed hours in her bathing suit and swam long distances. She died at thirteen with pneumonia, from which she was unable to rally after the crisis passed, because of a weak heart action.

The Price of Victory
LAST Summer many contestants tried to win prizes and glory by swimming across the English Channel. All remained in the water from four to at least eight hours. The strongest came out of the contest weary and exhausted.

It is nothing short of deliberate suicide to remain in the water as long as any human being of average weight and strength should remain. Twenty minutes is preferable.

And when a woman, with great vitality and much blood, can remain an hour, perhaps twice a week in the summer time, without injury, But water is not man's natural element.

He was never intended for an amphibious animal. Only web-footed creatures, or creatures with fins, are intended to live in the water. Man's proficiency in swimming is an acquired, not a natural habit. Almost every one has at some time experienced the lassitude, resulting from remaining too long in an ordinary bath.

Mountain Climbing
To remain for hours even in salt water is enervating eventually, but even our feet stimulated as an immediate result.

There is no question in my own mind that all the deaths recorded above were produced by over-swimming. No one loves the exertion more than the writer of this article. And it is because I have known the disastrous effects of over-swimming, and the weakness and physical prostration, that I make this appeal to the lovers of the sport.

Mountain Climbing
The man who risks his life in the face of death and hostile accidents speaks all that is necessary to say. It is to live and satisfy ambition at best, and one which can do the world no good when realized. The man who risks his life in the face of death and hostile accidents speaks all that is necessary to say. It is to live and satisfy ambition at best, and one which can do the world no good when realized.

Jones Compromises
By Morton Birge
I N firmer tones Augustus Jones to Mrs. Jones one morning said: "I've thought it out. Beyond the parlor shall be peppered red." Red, you notice, not red red.
Then Mrs. J. did gently say: "I had preferred the parlor blue. I sort of thought we really ought to have a parlor in blue, don't you?" Mrs. Jones "preferred blue" one will observe.
Augustus knew no shade of blue would suit him on the parlor wall. No time he lent to argument, but fixed the color, once for all. Yes, only for all—just like that.
For Jones, he said: "No, I want red. I guess I'll order it to-day." Mrs. J. was satisfied. Augustus hid himself upon his morning way. Absolutely satisfied with himself.
But, strange to say, a later day beheld the parlor bright and new. And Mr. Jones, in modest tones, explained: "We compromised on blue. You bet—Jones compromised on blue."